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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Room TWA - 325  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **AT&T Corp. Petition for Declaratory Ruling Regarding Enhanced Prepaid Calling Card Services, WC Docket No. 03-133**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Family Dollar hereby, submits this letter, to request that the FCC issue a declaratory order in favor of the AT&T Petition concerning prepaid cards.

Family Dollar has been selling prepaid cards in 200 of our stores since November 2002. Beginning in August Family Dollar expects to make prepaid cards available in all of our 4800 stores. We have worked very hard to develop a prepaid calling card program that will be appealing to our varied and diverse customer base.

Currently, Family Dollar has stores in 43 states and the District of Columbia. We serve the retail needs of consumers in many rural communities and inner-city neighborhoods. Some of these consumers may be credit-challenged and may not have the ability to obtain subscription accounts like a local phone service or a long distance provider. Our prepaid cards serve their telecom needs.

Family Dollar respectfully requests that this channel of opportunity for our customers remain viable and Family Dollar gives its support for AT&T's petition. We hope the Commission issues an order in concurrence with AT&T's statements in its petition.

Respectfully submitted,

Family Dollar Stores, Inc.

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